RV, camper, motorcycle, truck and trailer owners should check for expired tabs

North Dakota residents gearing up for summer activities who will be using campers, recreational vehicles, motorcycles, and trailers are reminded to check their license tabs for the vehicle plate to see they are current. The 2009 tabs are red, and the current tabs must be displayed to meet North Dakota Century Code.

If a vehicle is not displaying the red tabs, there may be a \$20 fine and 1 point assessed to the driver's license. If a vehicle is displaying a yellow tab, it has expired.

Linda Butts, Deputy Director for Driver and Vehicle Services of the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT), states, "For customer convenience, vehicle owners can renew registration by mail or at a local NDDOT motor vehicle office. There are 20 motor vehicle offices serving North Dakotans throughout the state. These offices are in Beulah, Bismarck, Bottineau, Bowman, Carson, Devils Lake, Dickinson, Ellendale, Fargo, Grafton, Grand Forks, Jamestown, Linton, Lisbon, Minot, Rugby, Valley City, Wahpeton, Watford City, and Williston. Registrations can also be renewed on the NDDOT website at www.dot.nd.gov. Select "register your vehicle" under the public section. Online registration is not available for utility trailer registrations and boat trailer identification plates; these need to be purchased at a local NDDOT motor vehicle office."

North Dakota law requires owners of utility trailers used for hire or in a commercial capacity to obtain a title and registration. This includes, but is not limited to, trailers used by an individual or company providing a lawn mowing service and trailers transporting race cars or registered motorcycles. Boat trailers need an identification plate if taken outside of the state of North Dakota. The \$5 fee provides the owner with a plate, decal, and registration card valid for the current calendar year.